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University Honors Committee

Minutes—January 20, 2010

Chair Carol Wagner-Williams called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon in 238 Millett Hall. Attending were Leo Finkelstein, Teressa McWilliams, Amber Crowley-Gall, Alex Wenning, Kathy Keister, Susan Carrafiello, Lynn Hartzler, Tom Traynor, Paul Hershberger, and Marty Kich.

The minutes of the October 21, 2009, meeting were approved with the correction of Lynn Hartzler in attendance.

The UH 400 course proposal submitted by Patricia Martin was approved pending further clarification about the reading list and grading method. Carrafiello will contact Martin and report the results to the committee.

Carrafiello provided an update about the conversion of the UH 201/202/203 quarter courses to semester courses. Drafts of the UH 2010/2020/2030 semester courses will be presented at the next committee meeting for discussion and review, including aspects of the multicultural competence designation.

Carrafiello updated the committee on the Assistant Director search. Applications are now being accepted from external applicants with a priority closing date of February 5, 2010. Thirty-nine applications have been received to date.

Wenning shared that four students from the Student Honors Association (SHA) will be attending the annual Mideast Honors Association (MEHA) conference in Louisville, KY, March 26-28, 2010.

Wenning gave an update about the Competitive Honors Scholarships for incoming first year students. The application process is now online, and 91 eligible applications have been received to date. The tentative timeline is:

- February 15—Deadline for submission of complete online applications
- Week of February 22 or March 1—Excel spreadsheet from the Office of Financial Aid arrives and review of applications begins
- Week of March 15—Interviews held to determine Trustee Scholars and all other award decisions made

Per the September 23, 2009, minutes, Finkelstein, Kich, Hartzler, Carrafiello, and Wenning are serving on the Competitive Honors Scholarship Subcommittee.

The 2010 Honors Institute on “Connecting with China” will be February 16 and 17.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for February 10, 12:00 noon, in 238 Millett Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alex Wenning